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## IN WEST KENTUCKY MOST ALL HAVE FLED

**Court of Appeals Decides a Case From McCracken.**

**It Also Makes an Important Ruling on Bankruptcy Cases.**

**OTHER LATE NEWS BY WIRE**

### IN THE APPELLATE COURT.

Frankfort, Oct. 13—Judge Burnham, writing the opinion, the court of appeals today reversed the McCracken circuit court in case of Abe Bogard against Illinois Central. Bogard sued for damages for personal injuries and the petition was dismissed. A new trial is now ordered by the reversal.

The judgment of the Graves circuit court in the case of J. J. Sanderson against May Hunt was affirmed. Orear delivered the opinion. The appellee secured judgment in the circuit below for \$3,500 in an action for slander. Appellant, by proceedings had in bankruptcy subsequent to judgment, was discharged of all his provable debts, included in his schedule of liabilities was the judgment above named. The court here says the judgment was not a liability from which the bankrupt was discharged under an act of congress.

### THE MOONSHINER PREACHER.

Greensburg, Ky., Oct. 13—A citizen of this city has started a campaign for subscriptions for a fund for the purpose of erecting a monument over the grave of Moses Aiken, the "moonshiner preacher," and the most eccentric pulpit orator the state of Kentucky and possibly the United States has ever had. "Mose" Aiken was the man who originated the phrase "Don't do as I do, but do as I say." There was scarcely a passage in the Bible with which he was not familiar.

### WELL KNOWN MAN DEAD.

Owensboro, Ky., Oct. 13—Perry Thomas, aged 67 years, died here this morning of Bright's disease. He was a native of Trigg county, and came here fourteen years ago and entered the revenue service.

### QUICK WORKER.

**BRIDGE MAN IN THE CITY TODAY—ONE OF HIS FEATS.**

Mr. S. J. Nash, superintendent of the bridge gang at Tennessee river, where the I. C. is putting in a new bridge, was in the city today on business.

Mr. Nash is known as one of the best bridge engineers in the country and for quick work can not be surpassed. At Princeton about a year ago, he put in a 50 foot iron bridge weighing 25 tons and completed the job from start to finish in 40 minutes.

### SHOOTING CASE

**IS ON THIS AFTERNOON BEFORE JUDGE LIGHTFOOT.**

Judge Lightfoot is this afternoon trying the case against I. B. Green for shooting at J. A. Bolton near Oaks station on August 28.

Bolton married Green's stepdaughter against Green's will and this caused hard feelings, it is said, which terminated in the shooting. One shot only was fired and Bolton escaped without injury.

### IN THE COUNTY.

**THIS IS WHERE IT IS DECIDED TO HOLD DOCTORS MEETING.**

The county medical society will meet at Rouse Grove, near Lone Oak tomorrow as first arranged, contrary to reports and an announcement elsewhere that it will meet in Paducah. President Holland stated this morning that he had authorized no change in meeting place and that Rouse Grove was the place.

**ARRESTED FOR VAGRANCY—**Ollie Rice, colored, was arrested this afternoon on a charge of vagrancy.

**Few Negroes Left in the Kevil Section.**

**A Lively Time Was Expected Last Night—Childress Still Alive.**

**EXCITEMENT IS SUBSIDING**

Kevil, the scene of the miniature race war night before last, will probably hereafter, if reports are true, become a second Calvert City, where colored people are not allowed to stop over night. Since the shooting in which Crockett Childress, a white youth, was badly, if not fatally shot Sunday night and the white people who happened to be around were forced to seek cover to escape flying bullets, there has been a great deal of feeling among the residents of that section of Ballard, as well as across in McCracken county.

Yesterday, according to reports, quite a number of people came to the city and invested in guns and pistols, and every man in the locality of the imbroglio was a walking arsenal before night.

Trouble was in the air, and the colored people got scent of it. They began leaving yesterday morning in twos and threes, according to reports, and by night there were none to be found. There were doubtless a few left, but they contrived to keep pretty close.

It was generally expected that there would be "something doing" after dark, and a number of Paducah people received invitations to go out and witness the fireworks, but they declined.

A report from there this morning stated that there was no trouble of any kind, but that most of the colored residents had left the country. It was the general opinion that a few are left but they are known to be law-abiding and peaceable, and will not be molested.

Childress, the young man shot, is a nephew of Coroner Peal, of Paducah. He may die.

The attending physicians gave it as their opinion that it was advisable to perform an operation and his parents would not consent to this.

### A HARD KNOCK

**A Colored Boy Falls off a Street Car.**

**Strikes on His Head and Thinks Somebody Hit Him with a Brick.**

George Patton, colored, aged about seven years, fell from a street car on North Sixth street, between Jefferson and Monroe streets last night about 9:30 and was seriously injured.

The boy lives at Sixth and Clay streets and had run away from home early in the morning. He had boarded the Sixth street car at Broadway to steal a ride home, and thinking the motorman saw him and was coming back to put him off, jumped and struck on the side of his face. He was rendered partially unconscious and had to be carried home.

Drs. Robertson and Hoyer were summoned to dress the injuries and found that the boy was suffering from concussion. The boy said that some one had struck him in the head with a brick, but he was seen to jump from the car and strike the ground and roll over into the gutter with great violence. He will recover.

### PAINFUL MISHAP.

**MR. ROBERT ACKER HAS AN ARM BROKEN AT LEXINGTON.**

Mr. Robert Acker, who is attending the state college at Lexington, Ky., met with a painful but not serious accident today.

He fell from the chapel steps and broke the radius of his left arm. News of the accident reached the family here this morning and his many friends will regret to learn of the accident.

## The Local Political Situation.



It is Only a Matter of How Large the Switch Will Be.

### REPORTED DYING

**MR. JAMES MATTHEWS IS IN A CRITICAL CONDITION TODAY.**

Mr. Jim Matthews, of South Fifth street, is reported dying at the city hospital this afternoon.

He was admitted Sunday and is afflicted with Bright's disease. He was only a short time ago married to widow Harris who runs the mineral well hotel on South Fifth street. He is about 74 years of age and well known. About a year ago he fell from a tree and broke a leg and several other bones in his body and was laid up for some time. From this a complication of diseases set in and he had not been well since the accident.

**GUN CLUB SHOOT—**A practice shoot was held at the Gun club ground yesterday afternoon and Dr. James M. Lang captured the club medal. Mr. W. A. Davis in a 100-bird match broke 91 out of 100. The meeting called for this evening is off as the members report it unnecessary.

### REUNION BEGINS TOMORROW.

**THE FIRST OF THE VETERANS WILL ARRIVE TOMORROW.**

The first of the Confederate veterans will arrive in the city tomorrow but the bulk of them will not arrive until Thursday. Preparations for them are complete and tonight the local camp meets to have everything in readiness for them.

One of the most artistic show windows in the city was completed this afternoon and is certain to attract great attention during the reunion. It is that of Ogilvie & Co., Fourth and Broadway, which is decorated in Confederate colors, with relics of various descriptions and other things making it a typical Confederate window. It is the work of Mr. Clarence Householder, the well known decorator of Ogilvie's.

**SMALL SUIT FILED—**W. F. Bradshaw today filed suit in quarterly court against John Johnson to recover \$100 alleged to be due on a note.

### READY FOR THE FRAY

**The Whole World Now Watching Japan and Russia.**

**Fleets Being Mobilized By Both Nations—Crisis Expected Soon.**

### WAR ALMOST CERTAIN.

London, Oct. 31—The opinion that war is at hand between Japan and Russia is well nigh universal. Even the Japanese minister, Baron Hayashi, who all along has "rather ridiculed the idea of war, seems to have lost confidence in the peaceful settlement of the difficulties and while he does not say he believes war is about to envelop his country, he indicates that such a contingency is not impossible.

As usual there have been all sorts of reports current, some of them from sources usually reliable.

It seems probable that Japan is either already mobilizing her army and placing it on a war footing or is taking the necessary preliminary steps to do it and that her war fleet is being put into fighting trim.

Russia is said to be concentrating considerable bodies of troops within easy striking distance of Korea so that when the first overt act of war on the part of the Japanese, shall be in a position to act promptly and effectively.

Much interest centers in the movement of the fleets, for in all probability the first fighting when the two hostile nations come to blows will be on the seas.

### EIGHT WILL HANG.

Manila, Oct. 13—Eight ladrones have just been sentenced here to be hanged and two to 25 years' imprisonment by Judge H. W. Sweeney. These men were captured in Bulacan and other provinces adjacent to Manila.

A second body of ladrones are in the Island of Panay, where they have attacked the town of Ibaay and killed thirteen of the inhabitants. There is only a small police force there.

Attorney W. F. Bradshaw, Jr., went to Benton this morning.

## RECRUITS CAME FAST

**Yesterday Was a Busy Day at Local Station.**

**It Will Probably be Made a Permanent Station—Major Reid Here.**

**BOYS LEAVE TOMORROW.**

Yesterday was a busy day in the local recruiting office in the Columbia building, and the best since its establishment in Paducah several months ago. Five recruits were received and Major Robert D. Reid, of Louisville, who was here on an inspection tour was so much pleased that instead of closing the office Thursday as was intended, there is some thought of making it permanent. It will continue open for several weeks longer anyway, and if as successful as the indications of yesterday promise that it may be, it will be made permanent.

The recruits received yesterday were all Paducah men. They were: William E. Burgess, Ernest D. Lee, Clarence Ingram, Clarence S. Powell, Robert E. Jeffries. They will leave tomorrow for Louisville, and three received several days ago, will go at the same time. They are: John C. Seargeant, and Bert Scarborough, Paducah and Henry Jackson, Amiret, Minn.

Major Reid returned to Louisville early this morning. Sergeant Hightower, who has charge of the office here, deserves congratulation for its recent success. He will remain in charge of it if it is made permanent, and the friends he has made since he has been here, will be glad to have him for a citizen of Paducah.

## BURGLAR ALARMS

**And Other Electrical Devices are Proposed**

**Western Union Will Install Them If It Receives Sufficient Encouragement.**

Manager E. R. Roper, the hustling local agent for the Western Union Telegraph company, is working up a plan for adding several fine improvements in Paducah. If he can secure subscribers enough he will install in the local office a fire alarm, burglar alarm, and watchman's signal service, which will enable all factories, banks, business houses and other places by having wires into the telegraph office to secure protection from burglars, fires and sleepy or careless watchmen.

The burglar alarm is so arranged that the man kept on watch constantly in the company's office during the night can tell if a burglary is attempted and immediately despatch an officer constantly kept in readiness by the company, to the scene.

The fire alarm is arranged so that the discovery of a blaze may result in an immediate alarm to the office. The principal advantage in the latter is in the reduction of insurance rates, companies making a big reduction where such devices are installed.

The watchman's signal works something similar to the call bells now operated by the telegraph companies, and if a watchman does not pull the call at certain hours, an officer is at once sent to learn if he is asleep or has been injured. In Louisville a watchman was thus found in time to keep him from bleeding to death, having been assaulted by burglars. At present about twenty here have agreed to take the watchman signals, which makes it, at least, very probable.

**THE BENTON COURT—**Judge L. D. Husbands expects to go out to Benton tomorrow to hold court owing to the fact that Special Judge Reed is interested in a number of cases to come up. Judge Reed is now engaged principally in hearing motions and making orders. Court ends this week and the civil term of the McCracken term begins Monday next.

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